

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, The South Dakota Housing Development Authority (SDHDA) prides itself as being an agency that helps "Build a Better Quality of Life" for the residents of South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, The SDHDA has made it a priority to allow people with disabilities and senior citizens of our state the opportunity to live independently in their apartment community for as long as possible; and,

*Whereas*, Mary Beth Jacobsen has been vital to the ongoing success of the Services To Aging Residents (STAR) program on behalf of the SDHDA for the past 13 years; and,

*Whereas*, During Mary Beth's tenure at the Authority, she has worked independently to provide services to over 500 residents, driven through difficult road and weather conditions, and worked with a multitude of federal and state programs and their administrators, overcoming challenges time and again; and,

*Whereas*, Mary Beth's care and concern for the residents have been greatly appreciated by them, their families, the owners and management agents, and by the Authority; and,

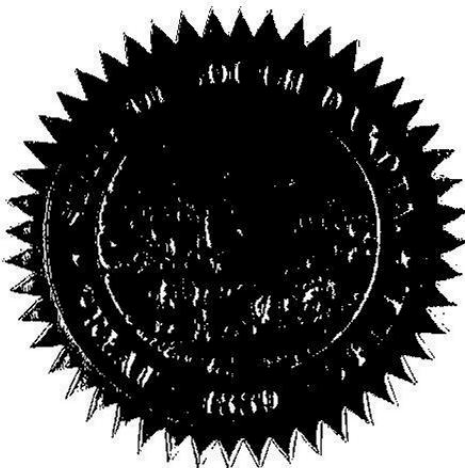
*Whereas*, Mary Beth also assisted citizens of Eastern South Dakota to access benefits and services through the Women and Infant Children (WIC) program prior to joining SDHDA, and has diligently provided a valuable public service to the state of South Dakota throughout her 26 years of employment with state government; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of the December 31, 2009, retirement of an outstanding South Dakotan, and join her colleagues, family, and friends as they gather on February 19, 2010, to celebrate this milestone in Mary Beth's life, and to extend best wishes for a healthy and happy retirement:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 19, 2010, as

### *MARY BETH JACOBSEN DAY*

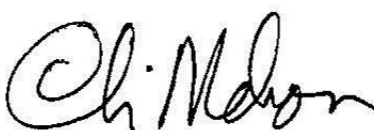
in South Dakota.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Third Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State